



Future Naval Capabilities

Requirements Driven, Transition Oriented

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At a Glance

What is the FNC Program?

The Future Naval Capabilities (FNC) program is a requirements-driven Science & Technology (S&T) program focused on developing and transitioning advanced technologies to improve Navy and Marine Corps warfighting and support capabilities.

The program was initiated in 2002 in order to improve the delivery of new technological capabilities to the warfighter. By design, the program strengthens S&T coordination between the acquisition and resource communities and the Fleet/Force through a comprehensive integrated process. Formal FNC business rules provide guidance for the oversight, management, and execution of the FNC program.

What is an Enabling Capability?

The Office of Naval Research (ONR) responds to S&T Capability Gaps by proposing new S&T investments called Enabling Capabilities (ECs). An EC typically consists of one or more interrelated Products, which together provide a distinct capability that helps to close one or more S&T Gaps. These EC investments are subjected to an extensive vetting process within ONR and subsequently, by Integrated Product Teams, where they are prioritized.

To Learn More

Please pick up a copy of the Future Naval Capabilities Guidebook and visit the FNC page on the ONR website.

<http://www.onr.navy.mil/Science-Technology/Directorates/Transition/Future-Naval-Capabilities-FNC.aspx>



How to Get Involved

ONR is proud to announce its upcoming FNC Program Enabling Capabilities at the October 2012 S&T Partnership Conference. Descriptive summary sheets for the majority of the FY14 New Start ECs are available on the ONR website:

<http://www.onr.navy.mil/Science-Technology/Directorates/Transition/Future-Naval-Capabilities-FNC.aspx>

Broad Agency Announcements (BAAs) specifying ONR's interests for the new ECs will be released periodically over the next year. These announcements provide criteria for selecting proposals and soliciting the participation of all offerors capable of satisfying the government's needs. BAAs are accessible on the ONR website as they become available:

<http://www.onr.navy.mil/Contracts-Grants/Funding-Opportunities/Broad-Agency-Announcements.aspx>

Technical points of contact can be found on the bottom corner of each EC Summary Sheet. Discussion with the technical POCs before the release of Broad Agency Announcements is encouraged.

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